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Majority of Council Is Concerned By Possible GHI Windfall Profits

by Virginia Beauchamp

An apparently routine request of support from the city council for a plan by Greenbelt Homes, Inc. to apply for a federal grant became unexpectedly controversial at the March 20 council meeting, over the issue of possible "windfall profits" for GHI members receiving grant support for rehabilitation of their homes.

GHI President Jim Smith introduced the proposal on behalf of the corporation, which would designate 322 units belonging to those members with lowest personal financial resources to be earmarked for substantial rehabilitation under Section 8 of a program of Housing Assistance Payments of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. According to Smith, requests for support under Section 8 would require approval of the GHI membership, as well as city and county support for the application. Smith said that GHI is presently preparing a packet of information to be presented to its own membership.

In his request for city endorsement of the proposal, Smith noted that the whole Greenbelt area would benefit from the improvements, which would be dispersed throughout the GHI property. He noted that about 40% of present GHI residents would be eligible for such grants under the federal guidelines, but that only about 20 percent would actually be covered by the GHI application.

Citing GHI's history in the field of cooperative housing, he urged the city's support in proving that this type of housing really works. If the city support is forthcoming, he said, the county also is ready to act on the request.

Discussion on Windfall Profits

In discussion following Smith's presentation, Councilman Tom White asked about federal guidelines concerning the selling of homes which had been rehabilitated with the assistance of Section 8 funds. Smith noted that no restrictions on future sales were contained in the specifications; residents could sell their units without penalty. Councilman Richard Castaldi said that he hoped GHI could work out some type of safeguard against windfall profits. He thought there could be a "relatively high increase in value of homes in the area" and was afraid that potential purchasers might be priced out of the market. Smith answered that he doubted that there would be such an impact, since most of the im-

provements would consist of insulation, new wiring, and similar repairs rather than surface beautification.

At this point, on a motion by councilman Charles Schwan, council agreed unanimously to endorse the GHI request for Section 8 housing assistance. A second motion, however, by White, specifying that the city send a letter to GHI expressing concern on the issue of windfall profits, drew opposition from Schwan and Weidenfeld. Schwan argued that this matter was "not the city's business." He noted that the residents involved in Section 8 support would be those with extremely small income, many of them living on pensions. He felt it was unrealistic to expect that they would improve their homes in order to speculate or that they could realize a large profit on a GHI home. "Where are they going to go and live for anything like what they'd pay in GHI?" he asked. Guidelines on the selling of homes are contained in federal law, he said, and he felt that GHI would have no discretion except to treat people as the federal law allows. Weidenfeld agreed that it was "beyond the city's prerogatives" to set up guidelines for GHI.

Castaldi argued on the other side that GHI already has a program concerning windfall profits and that he merely wanted to point out potential problems now so that the program would be strengthened. When Smith commented that he had "no problem" with the motion and that the GHI board would examine this question anyway, with or without the city's motion, the motion was put to a vote. It passed, with Schwan and Weidenfeld dissenting.

WHAT GOES ON

Sat., April 1, 12 noon. Annual Kite Flying Contest, Braden Field

Mon., April 3, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Tues., April 4, 7:30 p.m. Center School PTA

Parkers Find A Sticky Wicket, Lots Of People Get A Ticket

The first balmy weekend of the spring brought large crowds out to the Lake Park, as in past seasons. This time, however, 46 people went away with something different—parking tickets. Sunday, March 19 marked the first test of the new city ordinance restricting parking near the lake, adopted by city council to limit use of the park to Greenbelt residents. The ordinance may bring about the desired result, since many of the cars ticketed bore District of Columbia license plates, according to Police Chief William Lane.

Comment on the way in which the new ordinance is working was heard at the March 20 city council meeting. Council member Thomas X. White was concerned that the new restrictions will adversely impact on residential streets in Boxwood Village—particularly on Ridge Rd. next to Parcel 7, Lastner Lane and Ivy Lane, since those not able to park on Crescent Rd. may merely move over to the next unposted area.

According to Chief Lane, most cars ticketed were parked on Crescent Rd., where signs are posted restricting parking on weekends. A few cars parked in the permit-

only section of the lake parking lot but without the special stickers were also ticketed. Greenbelters are reminded that for the nominal charge of one dollar annually, they may purchase a permit.

In a related matter city solicitor Emmett Nanna was directed to review a county council bill that will prohibit outsiders from parking in neighborhoods surrounding METRO stations. Councilman Gil Weidenfeld felt this legislation might have some relevancy to possible impact of non-resident parking in the Boxwood subdivision by Lake Park users.



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday, April 3, 1978

8:00 P.M.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Minutes of Meeting
of March 20, 1978
5. Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Petitions and Requests
7. Administrative Reports
8. Committee Reports

III. OLD BUSINESS

9. Resolution to Transfer Funds - \$9,900 - Second Reading
10. Resolution to Authorize Negotiated Purchase - \$202,000 - Second Reading
11. METRO E Route - Draft Statement on Metrorail Alternatives
12. Baltimore-Washington Parkway Overpass - Easement Through Greenbriar Phase I
13. Swimming Pool Fees
14. Sewer Allocation - Greenbelt East
15. Greenbelt Shopping Center
16. METRO Bus Service - R-15 and F-6

IV. NEW BUSINESS

17. Ordinance - \$4,000 Replacement Fund - Truck - First Reading
18. Purchase of Tire Changer
19. Letter Requesting Support of Transfer Amendment
20. Auditor - 1977/78 Fiscal Year
21. Presentation of 1978/79 Budget

V. MISCELLANEOUS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda subject to change.

State Senate Votes to Keep Driver Education in Schools

A bill sponsored by Senator Edward T. Conroy to keep "Driver Education" in Maryland schools passed the Senate by a final roll call vote of 27-17. The bill now goes to the House of Delegates for its deliberation. If the bill fails, funding for the Driver Education program will end July 1, 1980 as required by a law passed last year.

Without a Driver Ed course, young people could lose their deduction on insurance. To avoid this, they would have to attend a private driving course at their own expense.

City Objects to Development Plans for Greenbelt East

by Elaine Skolnik

At the behest of the Greenbelt City Council, a sewer allocation for the proposed Greenbelt East development (former Schrom Airport) was removed from consideration at the March 21 meeting of the Prince Georges County Council. At that time, county officials were reviewing a joint letter by the county council and county executive to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission recommending conditional authorization for sewer service via the Lower Anacostia Interim Treatment Plant for Greenbelt East (36,500 gallons per day), Greenbelt Triangle (20,000 gpd) and seven other projects. However, after Chairman Francis White explained the city's concerns, discussion on Greenbelt East was deferred until April 4 when the city, developer, and Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) will present their respective positions.

It was only the night before - March 20 - that an unhappy city council learned about the upcoming action by the county. Council complained that, once again, they did not receive timely notice of sewer allocations affecting Greenbelt. Council directed the staff to convey to Chairman White the city's desire to comment, and the reasons the proposed Greenbelt East development was opposed by the city.

The Greenbelt East development will be located on a 33-acre commercially zoned tract running along Greenbelt Road in front of the Goddard Space/Hunting Ridge Apartments just east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. Although the land is not within Greenbelt's boundaries, the principal access to the proposed commercial office complex would be via a roadway running for 100 feet through Greenbelt land - Hanover Parkway extended south of Greenbelt Road.

City Opposition

The city council has consistently opposed the plans for the tract - a Shopping Center (213,780 sq. ft.) and two office buildings (20,000 sq. ft.). The shopping center will include 20 to 25 stores including a Safeway (38,000 sq. ft.) and a K-Mart (85,000 sq. ft.). However, over the city's objections, the Prince Georges County Planning Board approved with conditions a preliminary plan for sub-division on December 1, 1977.

At the March 20 meeting, the Greenbelt council reiterated their reasons for opposing the proposed development. They insist that development is premature because of (1) the additional traffic burdens that the proposed commercial complex would generate at the nearby Baltimore-Washington Parkway interchange and the Kenilworth-Greenbelt Road intersection, (2) the need for resolving road access into the project, road specifications and design, and (3) jurisdictional problems with the National Park Service relating to the access road now leading to the Goddard Space/Hunting Ridge Apartments. Additionally council did not feel that a K-Mart or Safeway met the definition of "high quality" that the county has been touting.

Councilman Thomas White pointed out that improvements to the Kenilworth/Greenbelt Road intersection are "nowhere in sight, and by allowing development of Greenbelt East at this time, a very bad situation would be exacerbated." He cited the recent closing of the Giant Department stores, the empty Klein's building at Beltway Plaza, the location of a nearby Woolco and K-Mart, and the closing of a Safeway Store on Greenbelt Road several years ago as reasons why the need for these kinds of stores does not exist. "Any indication that these facilities would add to the 'new quality' has to be harebrained," he said.

Councilman Richard Castaldi council should give the county council a list of what it considered "quality developments."

Mayor Richard Pilski decried the fact that Greenbelt would get no benefits from the commercial complex although the access road into the development is on Greenbelt land. He thought the city should annex Greenbelt East.

The county recommended approval for sewer allocation for the Greenbelt Triangle for 7.46 acres for three office buildings and a restaurant. Groundbreaking has already

taken place for the Capitol Cadillac automobile dealership.

Public Works Improvements

Council expressed its intention to pursue obtaining funds under the Neighborhood Improvement Program for fourth year funding for public works improvements in the vicinity of the new elderly housing facility. Disappointment was expressed that funds had not been included in the budget submitted to the county council by the county executive. The city is seeking \$115,000 for (1) improvements to Ridge Road between Southway and Gardenway, (2) construction of a sidewalk along one side of the street and (3) improving the pedestrian access between the elderly housing development and the Greenbelt Center.

Council was pleased that the county had provided funds for the GHI neighborhood for rehabilitation loans and grants (\$50,000), and for the city to employ a staff person to help administer the HUD program.

Potpourri

A substitute resolution was introduced and passed for first reading authorizing the purchase of part of Parcel II . . . The city's Cable Television Study and Evaluation will be forwarded to the Prince Georges Cable Television Commission . . . Board of Election members Betty Moore, Joseph Comproni and Nat Shinderman were reappointed to serve until January 1981. . . . Community Relations Advisory Board members Msgr. William O'Donnell and Pastor Edward Birner were reappointed to serve until February 1981 . . . \$600 was appropriated for the summer mosquito program . . . The county executive and county council will be urged to undertake planning in the Capital Improvement Program for additional solid waste facilities whether or not the Bevard landfill is placed in operation.

Center School PTA

Center School PTA will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 4 at 7:30 p.m., beginning promptly with a business meeting. At 8 p.m. there will be a series of parent-teacher conferences for those parents who were unable to attend conferences with their children's teachers.

Concurrently there will be a program which will run throughout the evening so that people who have conferences will be able to attend all other parts of the program.

There will be three centers or interest areas, each with its own mini-program: 1, a videotape of Mrs. Manning's kindergarten class, 2, an animated film by Mrs. Sullivan's students, 3, Guide to Conference Techniques by Principal John Van Schoonhoven.

Car pools will be formed and notices will be sent home with the children. For more info. 474-4596.

Devlin Bill Goes to Senate

The House of Delegates has passed and sent to the Senate a bill by Del. Gerard F. Devlin which would provide \$13 million to the State's subdivisions for increased police aid, \$3.8 million of which would go to Prince Georges County. The funds under the Devlin bill are designed to offset revenue losses caused by a 10% increase in the inflation factor upon which real property taxes are levied.

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Replies to Replies

Open letter to GHI Members:

My, my, spring is here and all the bees were out last week, the South American variety. But then I am immune to bee sting.

J.S., an American variety but annoyed, will be answered with the suggestions he wishes as soon as there has been time to consider possibilities, but no 11,000,000 dollars for management to play with.

N.W. considers a turn out of concerned members a howling mob. In other words the use of our money should not concern us stupid peasants. As I remember that Dec. 2 meeting, management was given more than 10% but not the 19% it requested. Of course the real problem is our lack of faith in the judgment of the board and their ability to keep down costs of maintenance. If we could trust the board to oversee management and assure the most economical use of available funds for the up-keep of units, they would have less opposition. Any private householder considers the condition of his pipes, heating system, foundation, etc., as they develop. He does not tear down his house every two or three years in order to find something he can spend a million dollars repairing.

When GHI sends a qualified building inspector to my unit and he shows me that certain structural repairs are necessary, I certainly will not hold back the money to do the work — I simply resent being charged an additional 10% each year and never actually seeing anything done to my unit or to the units of my neighbors.

I ignore "scare tactics" I quite understood the 20-year accumulated interest and conditions of loan, but still say it takes a colossal optimism to throw around millions of dollars, even in speech.

As for S.P., no I did not have specific instances in mind but feel with many others that boards in the past have shown poor judgment in administering the assets we had as a cooperative when GHI took over from the government. As to whether there are hidden assets, that also has been suggested — not by me since I know little of GHI finances and it seems difficult to sift fact from fiction at any meeting. One sometimes gets the impression the board doesn't know much more than I do, which is why confidence in it is so low, and why we do not want to give GHI millions of dollars to play around with.

Supposing we approve \$11,000,000 worth of up-grading, what assurance do we have of an equitable distribution of benefits. Some will want additional rooms, special windows, special treatment of yards, more improvements in general — must we all have the same or, if not, must we all pay the same.

Rather than vilifying me for daring to ask questions and voice concern, factual information would be very welcome.

Poor salesmanship, and I don't mean the hiring of a \$25,000 publicity person — may be the root of the board's problems with the membership. We sometimes feel that management may be pulling the wool over your eyes as well as ours.

Bettie G. Denson

Babe Ruth League Forms

All youths, coaches or managers wanting information on the Babe Ruth Baseball League contact Steve Pettko on 630-4671 for the 16-18 league or John Marshall on 668-7676 for the 13-15 league.

Just Wants Answers

To the Editor:

Yes indeed Mr. Smith, I am scared! I just want answers. If we borrow \$11,059,000, we will pay back \$25,214,600. That figure divided by 20 years, divided by 1579 units, divided by 12 months equals \$66.53 per month. The actual totals would be different for frame and masonry units. According to the article by Sid Kastner entitled GHI board looks into sources of support FOR REHABILITATION, resales, "... the likely cost of rehabilitation which is presently expected to range from \$600 to \$900 per year". That is equal to \$50 to \$75 a month. If the bill to ease property tax assessments is not passed then according to Kastner "... the extra burden on each family would be about \$200." That is equal to \$16.67 per month. Therefore my apologies! I was wrong! The figures could range from an increase of \$66.67 to \$91.67 per month. Is that what you are asking me to approve?

I would also like to know why the report you sent us by Mark Beck lists the value of frame homes as \$17,000 and masonry homes as \$26,000. In the report by Morton Hoffman that you didn't send us it gives a value for frame homes as \$15,300 and masonry homes as \$25,400. Amazing! A \$600 increase for masonry homes and a giant leap of \$1700 for frame homes. Which figures are correct?

Also in a Co-op where the frame and masonry homes take care of their costs separately, WHY does the ... (board) recommend a flat \$550 administrative (sales) fee? Using the figures in the Morton Hoffman report, means a frame homeowner selling their home for \$15,300 pays \$550 or 3.6%. A masonry homeowner selling their home for \$25,400 pays \$550 or 2.2%. Farm Out! I urge all GHI members to read the report by Mark Beck and also to go to the GHI office and ask for a copy of the Morton Hoffman report.

Finally, Scare Tactics!!? The leadership has said: Rehabilitate or face annual 10% increases (Mark Beck report: page 3-24, table 3-5, right hand column). I look at all of the above as "positive" contributions. If you wish to think of them as "negative," that's cool too. I just want answers.

Jack Steiffer

Mishkan Torah Holds Art Auction April 1

An Art Auction sponsored by the Mishkan Torah Men's Club and the Fine Arts Gallery of Ardmore, Pennsylvania, will be held at the synagogue on Saturday, April 1. Wine and cheese will be served at an 8 p.m. preview with the auction starting at 9 p.m.

Original works will be featured — oils, watercolors, lithographs, pastels, etching, sculpture and silk-screen. For information call 474-4377, 552-2940. There is an entrance fee (tax deductible).

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Kids, Dogs Harrass Carriers Preventing Some Deliveries

For the past few weeks, the 1, 2, and 4 courts of Southway, and the 18 court of Ridge Road have had sporadic delivery of the News Review. A small group of boys, using their bicycles, harass and intimidate the carrier, and in some cases prevent the delivery of the paper or pick it up after it has been delivered.

Residents of that area are asked to call Mike Jones, circulation manager, 474-6001 with any information concerning this matter. Residents who are home between 5 and 6 p.m. on Thursdays are asked to be visible in their yards when the News Review is being delivered.

Dogs

Since warm weather has finally arrived, many residents are permitting their dogs to roam. News Review carriers are not required to deliver to houses or to entire courts where a dog is a threat to their safety. Dog owners are asked to keep their pets confined during the early evening hours Thursdays while the carriers make their rounds.

Calling All Swimmers

Winter swim will be operating every Sunday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. through May 14. Swimming is at the Silver Spring YMCA pool. The Greenbelt Swim Team needs swimmers in all age groups from 7 to 18.

For information or to sign up, call 474-0332.

CITY NOTES

Relocation of the sanitary sewer line on the east side of the Municipal building was virtually completed last week, while inside work included the erection of framing for interior walls and wiring of the frames. Vinyl faced dry wall will be placed on the frames.

Work was accomplished on the storm sewer relocation at the elderly housing site. A manhole was installed and approximately 175 feet of 12 inch pipe was installed, with about 25 feet remaining to be done. Some temporary street patching was also done.

Several "STOP" signs which had been removed by vandals were replaced.

McDonald Field is about ready for opening while the base lines and goal posts sleeves have been installed at North End School. Work is starting on the backstop. Southway median has been manicured and the new grass on the ball field at the old land fill is "looking good."

Requests for special trash pickups have increased. This has resulted in a two to three day delay between receipt of requests and pickup.

The paper collection netted 5 tons, 260 lbs. for the week of March 4-11. The city is now receiving \$1.00 per 100 lbs. or \$20. per ton. The glass company came last week and picked up 47 barrels of crushed glass.

Police Blotter

Julia Boone and Linda Scarlata completed a three day Seminar for police dispatchers at the University of Delaware.

Officer Craddock, while on patrol, observed a man tampering with a parked car. Upon investigation he found that the man was attempting to remove a CB radio and antenna. The suspect was arrested and charged with tampering.

Two typewriters were stolen from a classroom at Eleanor Roosevelt High School; a tuner and recorder were also reported missing from the school.

The radar unit has been checking speed limit on city streets and as a result, a number of special citations have been issued. During the weekend a number of parking citations were issued on Crescent Road by the Lake Park and including the permit parking area.

Congratulations

To the Editor:

I want to express my admiration of the citizens of Greenbelt for their recent efforts on the student placement question.

It was truly one of the most thoroughly researched, purposeful, organized and effective examples of citizen participation I have ever seen, and a testimony to the fact that citizen participation in democracy does work. Congratulations to the Greenbelt School Study Committee and all who helped.

Congratulations also to the staff and directors of the Greenbelt News Review for its excellent coverage of the issue.

Leo E. Green
24th Legislative District
Prince Georges County

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8 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
(Holy Communion 1st Sunday)
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
Rev. John G. Bals, Rector

MOWATT MEMORIAL

United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410

Morning Worship 11 a.m.

HOLY COMMUNION

(Cribbery and Nursery)

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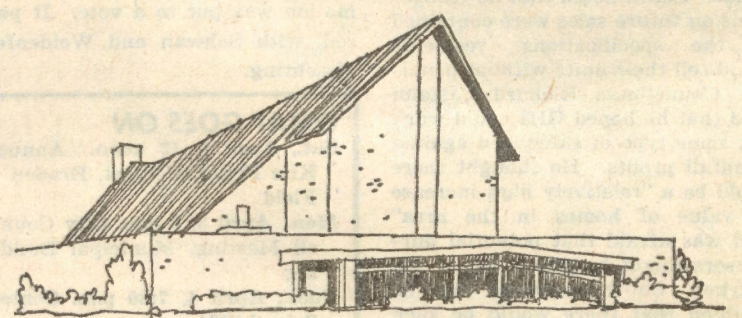
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GHI Board Struggles Over Perplexing Parking Problems

by Roberta McNamara

Committee reports on the Senior Citizen Program, parking problems and the date of the annual meeting were the significant agenda items of the March 23 meeting of the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Board of Directors.

Based on findings of a questionnaire sent to GHI's 500 senior citizens, management determined that what this group wanted most was adequate transportation; a co-operative or discount buying forum for medicine, food, clothing, etc.; diagnostic health screening. Also they needed information of existing help programs designed for senior citizens.

GHI's Member and Community Relations Committee reviewed the findings and decided that many of these needs should be met by the city. However, if the city will not undertake responsibility, GHI should implement needs wherever possible.

The committee suggested a hot meal program at North End School as an initial program. Funding is available through the county. Director Mary Clarke and Sandra Barnes, Coordinator of Member Services, approached North End Principal Jean Miller who was delighted to have the school used for the senior citizens.

The committee approved the outreach concept in which GHI would use students from Catholic University School of Social Services to contact GHI's senior citizens and assist them in obtaining available special services.

The committee discussed implementing possible volunteer programs to aid senior citizens such as matching those who want to provide gardening with those who need it.

A further recommendation was that GHI should offer space for a visiting nurse who would give free blood pressure tests. Barnes responded that she had talked to a representative of the Red Cross and a visiting nurse program might start in the near future.

Ken Kopstein, Assistant to the Manager, said he had talked with the city staff about involvement in the senior citizen program. The city does not want to get involved for two reasons: lack of staff and funds. He hoped that if GHI demonstrates the viability of the program, perhaps the city will take an active interest. Presently, the county is seeking the city's and GHI's cooperation in improving services in Greenbelt, said Kopstein.

Board President James Smith suggested that the recommendations of the committee be implemented, but cautioned the need to take it slow and easy, and to realize the time limitations of the corporation's staff. He also felt that GHI needed to know how much money the county would provide for projects. He felt that the city needed to be approached and reminded of its obligation to all the senior citizens in the city.

Parking

Parking has been a major problem for GHI over the years. The Parking Committee considered the problem of large vehicles parking in the small stalls and the overall effect these vehicles have on the parking lot surfaces. The following recommendation was made.

That, with the exception of necessary service vehicles, trucks over 3/4 ton, motor homes, trailers, and campers be prohibited in parking courts. Vans, including those classed as recreational vehicles, twenty feet or less in length and seven feet or less in width should be permitted. Pick up trucks or other vehicles equipped with camper bodies cannot exceed seven feet in width and twenty feet in length.

Also discussed were complaints received by management resulting from the parking of cars for extended periods of time in courts that do not have reserved parking thus monopolizing these spaces and creating additional problems in crowded courts. The following recommendation was made.

That no vehicle may occupy a parking space for more than five consecutive days.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 10, providing Center School is available. With all the area municipal elections taking place at that time, however, election machines may not be available for election of the new board.

Refinancing Problems

Also discussed was Twin Pines policy of discouraging GHI members from refinancing their units at the current lower interest rate. Concern was expressed that the situation may not improve until there are more avenues for financing for GHI than Twin Pines and the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union. Although some board members are miffed, Smith plans to meet with Twin Pines to resolve the problem. Some members planned to raise these issues at Twin Pines annual meeting.

Costs Concern GHI

Some senior citizens living in Greenbelt Homes, Inc. have expressed concern that their monthly payments will rise dramatically with the onset of the rehabilitation program. The Board of Directors and the GHI management have also been concerned about this problem. Both are committed to finding federal programs which will offset some of the increases which will accompany rehabilitation.

However, the board and management are also worried about the rise in fuel oil and maintenance charges if rehabilitation is not performed. This increase could equal or exceed the cost of rehabilitation.

Senior citizens or GHI members on fixed income are encouraged to write or phone their questions about rehabilitation to the board or the manager's office.

Greenbelt Homes Inc.

Great Volleyball Slam

Young Life of Prince Georges County, a Christian Youth Organization, will be holding its first "Great Volleyball Slam" at Greenbelt Elementary School this Thursday and Friday evening, Mar. 30 and 31. The event consists of two 12 hour volleyball marathons to raise money for Young Life's summer camp program. Over 225 high school students will be playing on one of these two nights. Come on out and support the Roosevelt gang, who will be playing Friday evening. Anyone interested in making a pledge or contribution should call 474-5041.

GHI Readies Nature Trail

This past week, nine young people who compose the crew working for GHI in the Youth Community Conservation Improvement Program have been cleaning the 26 acres of woods between Ridge Road, Plateau Place and Laurel Hill Road for the long-awaited nature trail.

Much debris has been carted out of the woods so far including a large mattress, swing sets, hoods of cars, a toaster, magazines, a fender, car seats, buckets, a plastic swimming pool and the ever-present beer cans and bottles.

Following the cleaning, the crew will be developing the four different loops of the trail. For the most part, existing paths will be used, with a few new paths cleared. Posts will be installed for the markers. And several bridges will be built across streams and perhaps some steps along some of the steeper areas. The trail is expected to take about a week to complete.

The trail has been marked by a member of the state forestry service. Some points of interest are a rare stand of American elm trees which have somehow survived the Dutch elm disease that has eradicated millions of elms along the east coast. There are also a 110-year-old pin oak tree and an unusual muscledwood tree.

Most of the YCCIP workers are now obtaining their high school equivalency degree from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., four mornings a week. The youth give one half hour of their time and GHI contributes one half hour. The course is taught by CARES. The nine-month YCCIP county-funded program is designed to help train young people for jobs in the community. Following work on the trail, they will be spending most of the summer painting boiler rooms and other GHI buildings.

Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

MEMBERS INVITED

A vital part of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. is the members who give much of their time and their talent during the evening hours serving on committees. The committee structure is a vital link in the decision-making chain. Committee meetings are open to all GHI members. During the coming week, the Long Range Planning Committee will be meeting on April 4 at 7:30 p.m. and the Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 5, at 8 p.m., in the GHI Board Room on Hamilton Place. Both committees will be discussing aspects of rehabilitation.

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Recreation Review

Calling all Kites with Kids!!! Saturday, April 1 is the day, Braden Field is the place and 12 noon is the time. All kites will be in the air for the Annual Kit Flying Contest. In the case of rain, this event will be cancelled for the year. Trophies will be awarded to the youngest and oldest flyer, smallest and largest kites, most original kite, highest flying and family speed race. All kites must fly to qualify for trophies. Call 474-6878 for further details.

Spring Class Registration

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry! There are still opening in many of the Spring Recreation Classes. Classes will begin the week of April 10. Saturday classes will begin on April 8. All registrants must sign up at the Youth Center Business Office, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. or call 474-6878 for information. Ball Field Permits

Beginning Monday, April 3, ball field permits for Braden, McDonald and North End Elementary Fields will become effective. All groups holding permits for these facilities must have a copy of the permit in their possession while on the field. All times not covered by a permit may be filled on a first come, first served basis.

Golden Eggs for Easter

This year saw a new wrinkle in the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Over 500 people attended this year's event which was held at the Youth Center. A drawing was held for the Golden Eggs. Winners of the Golden Eggs were as follows: Amy Abbott, Pre-School; John David Powell, 1st and 2nd Grade; Eddie Kim, 3rd and 4th Grade; Stacy Rosen, 5th and 6th Grade. Many others received merchandise certificates from Greenbelt CO-OP, McDonald's, Gino's Pappys, 3 Bros. Inc., Greenbelt Carry-Out, Springhill Villa and Sarah's Sweet Shop.

Membership Drive Opened By City Tennis Association

Membership in the Greenbelt Tennis Association is now open to all residents of the City of Greenbelt. The GTA sponsors tennis tournaments, ladder competition, picnics, parties and other athletic and social events throughout the year.

The first tournament of the 1978 season will be held on April 15, 16, 22, and 23. There will be no entry fee for this tournament, however all applications must be received by April 7. A pre-tournament "Recruitment Party" will be held on Friday evening, April 14. There is an admission fee.

For further information regarding GTA membership dues, the April tournament or the April 14 party contact Bob Baker, 345-1749 or Steve Sinden, 345-1669.

At the Library

The Drop-In Stories program continues for children ages 3-5 in the Program Room on Thursdays at 2 p.m. The program will feature stories and crafts.

Tues., April 4 there will be a 4-H Horse Program for ages 9-19 in the Meeting Room at 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. Those who are interested are invited to register in advance at the library or with the 4-H office at 952-3136.

Free Income Tax Help will be available through April 13 at branch libraries of the PG County Memorial Library System. For dates, times and locations please call the Adult Services Office at 699-3500, extension 266.

Greenbelt CARES

On March 4, ten volunteers new to the CARES tutoring program participated in an orientation and training session in the City Council chambers. On March 6, nine pairs of tutors and children met at Center School as the beginning of a spring tutoring program. This centralized program is an adjunct to CARES' continuing program of on-going tutoring.

On March 6 classes in adult basic education and GED preparation began at GHI with 11 participants. These classes are being taught by Jo Ann Parochetti as a part of CARES commitment for services to participants in GHI's Youth Conservation and Improvement Projects grant.

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At the annual membership meeting and election Greenbelt Homes members will elect four directors to serve two-year terms and three members to the Audit Committee to serve one-year terms. If you are interested in serving in one of these capacities, please fill out the form below and give it to a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee: Janet James, 1-D Plateau Place (474-3604), Robert Spear, 1-A Ridge Rd. (474-3643), Angela Morris, 42-J Ridge Rd. (345-7874), Robert Sonneveldt, 6-Q Ridge Rd., or James Wright, 35-B Ridge Rd. (474-4524). If more convenient, the completed form may be dropped off at the Manager's office for forwarding to the Committee.

GHI Nominations and Elections Committee Consent Form

Date

I, residing at

Greenbelt, Maryland, and being an accredited member of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., and therefore eligible, do herewith consent to having my name appear on the Ballot for the annual GHI election to be held May 10-11, 1978. If elected, I will serve to the best of my ability as a member of the:

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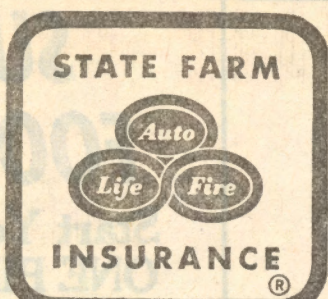
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Boys and Girls Club

Softball: All girls interested in playing softball should be at the bleachers behind the Youth Center on Sat., April 1 at 10 a.m. At the present time there are not any softball coaches. Unless the club gets coaches there will not be any teams. Anyone interested in coaching should be at the softball meeting on April 1.

Baseball: All boys over 13 interested in playing baseball should be at the bleachers behind the Youth Center at 6 p.m. Monday, April 3.

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